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February 28, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
Attn: Wireline Competition Bureau

*Consolidated  
Telcom*

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90  
Rural Broadband Experiment Expression of Interest for Price Cap Areas  
CONSOLIDATED ENTERPRISES, INC**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Consolidated Enterprises, Inc. hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission's rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.<sup>1</sup> Consolidated Enterprises, Inc. is a CLEC serving rural areas of North Dakota and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Area

North Dakota,

1. Stark County, Census Tracts 38089963300, 38089963400, 38089963500, 38089963800, 38089963900 and 38089964000,
2. Dunn County Census Tract 38025962200.
3. Billings County Census Tract 38007963100.

The experiment will provide broadband service to 1,316 eligible high-cost locations in unserved high-cost Census Blocks with these Census Tracts.

Proposed Services

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 100 Mbps downstream, 50 Mbps upstream provided over Fiber to the Home (FTTH). Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 4 Mbps downstream, 1 Mbps upstream provided over 700 MHz wireless

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<sup>1</sup> See *Technology Transitions et al.*, GN Docket No. 13-5 et al., Order, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Proposal for Ongoing Data Initiative, FCC 14-5 (rel. Jan. 31, 2014).

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Enterprises, Inc.*

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Cable Vision, Inc.*

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Networks, Inc.*

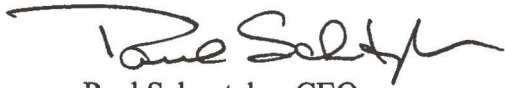
Funding

Consolidated Enterprises, Inc. requests \$7,000,000 total in funding from Connect America Funds spread over 10 years.

Consolidated Enterprises, Inc. expects service within the unserved high-cost Census Blocks to be offered within one year after construction starts.

CONSOLIDATED ENTERPRISES, INC. appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Schuetzler", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Schuetzler, CEO  
Consolidated Enterprises, Inc.